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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Project Director

ATTENTION

Mr. James Q. Reber

THROUGH:

Assistant to DD/I (Planning)

SUBJECT

Retention of TALENT and AQUATONE Clearance:

Mr. Ralph L. Clark

- 1. On 9 August Mr. Ralph L. Clark will resign as an employee of the Central Intelligence Agency. On or before that date this office requests that appropriate steps be taken to transfer Mr. Clark to a consultant slot for Project AQUATONE, thereby permitting uninterrupted retention of his present TALENT and AQUATONE clearances.
- 2. Mr. Clark has been directly associated with the planning and execution of Project AQUATONE's ELINT collection capability since its earliest beginning. In view of his intimate knowledge of all electronic work done from the inception of the Project to the present, retention of Mr. Clark as a consultant on electronics and ELINT is considered necessary to insure the continued success of AQUATONE ELINT operations.
- 3. Pending appropriate action on this request, this office is prepared to do whatever may be required administratively to insure the continuation of Mr. Clark's Project clearances.

s/ Herbert Scoville, Jr. HERBERT SCOVILLE, JR. Assistant Director Scientific Intelligence

'Approval recommended: A/DDI/P		"Approved and recommended JQR
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